

that pathological gamblers are physically different from other types of gamblers. Compulsive gamblers who took the experimental drug Nalmefene, for instance, were less impulsive than those given a placebo. "For the last 10 years, there have been rumblings that it's a biological problem," Grant said. "This gives a lot more support to that theory."

While researchers have only recently started to record results for drugs that help overcome the urge to gamble, doctors have been working on the neurobiology aspects of gambling for more than two decades. The late Dr. Robert L. Custer, a pioneer in compulsive gambling research, convinced the American Psychiatric Association in 1980 to classify the impulses of addicts as a disease much like Tourette's syndrome and pyromania. Custer categorized gamblers as professional, antisocial, casual, serious, escape and compulsive. Professional gamblers, he said, were not compulsive even though they took risks and gambled frequently. He said they used gambling as a job, showing clear-headed money skills, reasoned strategies and the ability to walk away without losing their bankroll. Custer characterized antisocial gamblers as withdrawn but not compulsive, casual gamblers as infrequent players, serious gamblers as those who use counting or tracking techniques to beat the odds at card tables, and escape gamblers as those who occasionally get away from reality through gambling.

Grant said gambling addiction could become a "huge social problem" as legal gambling grows in popularity through such things as televised poker tournaments and the greater availability of instant impulse games like slot machines. "We're seeing different demographics—people from all walks of life—involved," he said. "It suggests that this is going to be a bigger and bigger problem as time goes on." At the University at Buffalo's Research Institute on Addictions, John Welte has been working to quantify the scope of the problem through research that involved interviewing 2,631 people. He said the survey showed that compulsive gambling and the related social costs can be traced in concentric circles around a gambling facility. The closer in you get, the more severe the issue, he said. And, he added, people living in poorer neighborhoods reported higher rates of problem gambling.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CITY OF HOPE'S TRI-STATE LABOR AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL HONORING MR. JOSEPH SELLERS WITH ITS SPIRIT OF LIFE AWARD

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 2006

Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight the accomplishments of Mr. Joseph Sellers. Joe Sellers is the President and Business Manager for Local Union 19 of the Sheet Metal Workers in the Philadelphia area, Central Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, and Delaware.

This week, The City of Hope's Tri-State Labor and Management Council will honor Mr. Sellers with its Spirit of Life Award.

City of Hope National Medical Center is one of the world's leading research and treatment centers for cancer, diabetes, HIV/AIDS, and bone marrow transplantation. City of Hope's Tri-state Labor and Management Council

Award has for many years increased public awareness and support for its research efforts. The Council's efforts are vital to City of Hope's battle against killer diseases. Additionally, the Labor and Management Council provides opportunities to union and management leaders to work together for a common cause—to assist the City of Hope in its vital research and patient care, no matter how long the hospital stay or complex the therapy.

Mr. Sellers began as an apprentice in 1980. Since then Mr. Sellers has made great contributions to his union and his community. Mr. Sellers has served as a union Executive Board Member, Training Coordinator, and Business Agent.

Mr. Sellers has held numerous positions within his union's International Association and currently holds executive positions with the Pennsylvania State Council of Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, New Jersey State Council of Sheet Metal Workers, Mechanical Trades District Council of Delaware Valley, Metropolitan Association of Presidents and Business Representatives, and the National Energy Management Institute.

If these positions were not enough, Mr. Sellers is the Vice-President of the Philadelphia Building and Construction Trades Council and the Philadelphia AFL-CIO. He is the Secretary-Treasurer of the Mechanical and Allied Crafts Council of New Jersey.

Additionally, Mr. Sellers is an Executive Board Member of the Pennsylvania Building and Construction Trades Council and the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO and a Member of the Pennsylvania State Apprentice and Training Council.

In addition to his commitment to supporting working men and women throughout the Delaware Valley, Mr. Sellers is active in civic, charitable, and government affairs. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, he gathered monetary donations as well as clothing and food for the storm ravaged communities along the Gulf Coast. Recognizing the Gulf Coast's need for strong backs, hard workers, raw manpower, he dispatched union workers to aid in hurricane recovery.

In his local community, Mr. Sellers has spent countless hours working with the Piney Grove Baptist Church and Community Center and The Potter House Mission. For these honors Mr. Sellers selected as Labor Leader of the Year 2004 for the Boy Scouts of America, and the 2004 Labor Leader award from the American Veterans Association.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor for me to draw this Chamber's attention to the accomplishments of Mr. Sellers. He has made a great contribution to his community. Our nation would be greatly improved if we all made a fraction of the contribution as Mr. Sellers.

RECOGNIZING BRIAN GEORGE KNOP FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 8, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Brian George Knop, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by tak-

ing an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 376, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Brian has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the many years Brian has been involved with Scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Brian has served in the leadership positions of Chaplains Aide and Quartermaster, among others. He is a Brotherhood member of Order of the Arrow and a Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. For his Eagle Scout project, Brian planned and supervised the landscaping of the front side of the Liberty United Methodist Church in Liberty, Missouri.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Brian George Knop for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

IN MEMORY OF HUGH C. REYNOLDS

HON. MIKE ROSS

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 8, 2006

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Hugh C. Reynolds of Fordyce, Arkansas. Strong leadership, vision, concern for others, and philanthropy were enduring legacies left by H.C. Reynolds. He passed away on Saturday, May 6, 2006 at the age of 85, after having served his nation, state, and the city of Fordyce with distinction. I would like to recognize Mr. Reynolds' contributions to Arkansas and our Nation.

H.C. Reynolds was born August 5, 1920 to the late Hugh Cleveland and Ruth Sisson Reynolds in Fordyce. He was a dedicated member of Fordyce First Baptist Church and a Shriner.

Mr. Reynolds will forever be remembered for his bravery, leadership, and compassion. He served his nation as an Army Veteran of World War II and was a lifelong member of the Democratic Party. He also recently resigned as Chairman of the Dallas County Democratic Committee.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Frances Keenum Reynolds and a brother, William Reynolds. My deepest condolences go out to his sister, Mary Ruth Creech of Camden; his son, Collins Reynolds and wife Janie of Bismark; his daughters, Linda Hankins and husband Troy of Pine Bluff, Vickie Gray and husband Paul of Hot Springs; his five grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Mr. Reynolds' legacy and spirit will live on in those who lives he touches.

INDIAN COUNTRY EDUCATIONAL EMPOWERMENT ACT

HON. STEPHANIE HERSETH

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 8, 2006

Ms. HERSETH. Mr. Speaker, I am introducing the Indian Country Educational Empowerment Act. This Act will facilitate economic growth and development in Indian